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## U. S. SPICE IMPORTS

### APPROXIMATE 1965 LEVEL

#### Summary

U. S. imports of specified condiments and flavoring materials during 1966 were valued at \$61.4 million, only slightly above the 1965 level of \$60.6 million. As a result of inventory reduction, black pepper imports were off sharply, and vanilla bean imports declined from the 1965 near-record level. Higher prices reduced cassia imports by one-third; however, mustard seed imports increased significantly and allspice (pimento) imports more than doubled.

Because of larger world supplies, reduced U. S. buyer interest, and the resumption of trade relations between Indonesia and Singapore, New York whole-sale black pepper prices declined during 1966 to an average of 43.3 cents per pound, a reduction of 4.6 cents from the previous year. Prices continued to weaken during January and February 1967, averaging 37.8 cents and 35.5 cents, respectively. Although in 1966 pepper prices averaged lower, they still were at higher levels than during 1962-64.

At a December 1966 Paris meeting between the Malagasy Republic Government and the U. S. Vanilla Bean and Flavoring Extract Manufacturers Association, the Malagasy Republic agreed to allocate an export quota of 850 metric tons of vanilla beans for shipment to the United States during 1967. Prices will remain at \$10.20 per kilogram (\$4.63 per lb.), the same as in the 1966 quota arrangement.

Quota allotments have now been changed from a semi-annual to a quarterly basis, which will enable U. S. importers to carry smaller inventories. The 1967 distribution was set at 150 tons for the first quarter; 250 tons each during the second and third; and 200 tons for the final quarter. It was decided that any unsold portions of the quotas would be automatically cancelled at the end of each quarter. This ruling also applies to the last half of 1966, when U. S. buying failed to reach the 430-ton level allocated for that period.

1/ Unground unless otherwise specified.  
2/ Preliminary.  
3/ Ground and unground.  
4/ Market value in country of origin, exclusive of import duty, freight and insurance charges.

United States: Imports of specified condiments by country of origin  
1965-66

Condiment and origin 1/	1965	1966 2/
	1,000 pounds	1,000 dollars
<b>ALLSPICE (PIMENTO):</b>		
British Honduras .....	---	76
Guatemala .....	93	412
Honduras .....	212	299
Jamaica .....	418	1,048
Leeward and Windward Islands ..	3	---
Mexico .....	148	75
Nicaragua .....	---	5
Spain .....	---	11
Total .....	874	1,926
<b>ANISE SEED:</b>		
France .....	3	---
Japan .....	14	---
Lebanon .....	8	---
Mexico .....	18	5
Spain .....	253	223
Syria .....	21	4
Tanzania .....	---	9
Turkey .....	68	14
Yugoslavia .....	---	11
Total .....	385	266
<b>BASIL:</b>		
Belgium .....	---	12
France .....	12	23
Hungary .....	42	99
Yugoslavia .....	---	4
Total .....	54	138
<b>CAPSICUM OR RED PEPPER:</b>		
Chile .....	22	146
Ethiopia .....	65	44
Haiti .....	---	3
Indonesia .....	---	46
Italy .....	10	11
Japan .....	3,174	2,881
Kenya .....	7	46
Malagasy Republic .....	---	9
Mexico .....	5,630	6,500
Nigeria .....	143	218
Spain .....	---	22
Taiwan .....	---	5
Tanzania .....	63	111
Turkey .....	806	364
Uganda .....	220	299
Yugoslavia .....	33	---
Total .....	10,173	10,705
<b>CAPSICUM OR RED PEPPER: (Ground):</b>		
Japan .....	11	19
Kenya .....	30	19
Mexico .....	2,788	3,769
Turkey .....	22	---
Total .....	2,851	3,807

1/ Unground, unless otherwise specified.

2/ Preliminary.

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United States: Imports of specified condiments by country of origin  
1965-66 (Cont.)

Condiment and origin 1/	1965		1966 2/	
	1,000 pounds	1,000 dollars	1,000 pounds	1,000 dollars
<b>CAPERS:</b>				
Algeria .....	22	5	---	---
Greece .....	---	---	1	3/
Italy .....	7	2	2	1
Japan .....	19	4	---	---
Morocco .....	807	160	1,264	226
Spain .....	999	197	1,215	217
Total .....	1,854	368	2,482	444
<b>CARAWAY SEED:</b>				
Lebanon .....	---	---	5	1
Netherlands .....	5,970	886	6,190	1,100
Poland .....	777	118	955	159
United Kingdom .....	11	2	---	---
Total .....	6,758	1,006	7,150	1,260
<b>CARDAMON SEED:</b>				
Ceylon .....	19	41	18	53
Costa Rica .....	5	7	12	40
Guatemala .....	75	190	113	358
Honduras .....	---	---	12	31
India .....	11	41	48	184
Mexico .....	5	10	---	---
Other .....	1	3	5	16
Total .....	116	292	208	682
<b>CASSIA:</b>				
Ceylon .....	---	---	29	28
India .....	8	3	---	---
Indonesia .....	14,939	3,986	10,055	5,830
Malaysia .....	47	17	---	---
Taiwan .....	---	---	56	6
Vietnam .....	845	801	443	354
Total .....	15,839	4,807	10,583	6,218
<b>CELERY SEED:</b>				
France .....	170	66	164	62
India .....	3,351	604	2,561	400
Total .....	3,521	670	2,725	462
<b>CINNAMON:</b>				
Ceylon .....	750	809	639	747
India .....	11	1	---	---
Indonesia .....	8	4	---	---
Kenya .....	22	2	90	14
Malagasy Republic .....	22	4	391	74
Netherlands .....	32	5	24	4
Seychelles .....	2,197	261	1,051	148
Spain .....	---	---	55	20
South Africa .....	---	---	22	4
Tanzania .....	---	---	19	2
Other .....	12	3	22	8
Total .....	3,054	1,089	2,313	1,021

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2/ Preliminary.

3/ Less than \$500.

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United States: Imports of specified condiments by country of origin  
1965-66 (Cont.)

Condiment and origin 1/	1965		1966 2/	
	1,000 pounds	1,000 dollars	1,000 pounds	1,000 dollars
<b>CLOVES:</b>				
Ceylon .....	8	7	2	2
Indonesia .....	2	2	7	6
Kenya .....	22	8	---	---
Malagasy Republic .....	2,402	767	1,964	632
Malaysia .....	27	27	50	51
Mozambique .....	---	---	25	8
Tanzania .....	329	120	39	16
Turkey .....	---	---	11	4
Vietnam .....	22	20	---	---
Total .....	2,812	951	2,098	719
<b>CORIANDER SEED:</b>				
Algeria .....	---	---	33	3
Argentina .....	102	9	572	42
France .....	33	1	---	---
India .....	88	5	234	28
Morocco .....	1,890	103	1,065	96
Nigeria .....	---	---	35	6
Romania .....	440	25	1,526	118
Total .....	2,553	143	3,465	293
<b>CUMMIN SEED:</b>				
France .....	10	4	---	---
India .....	644	211	346	124
Indonesia .....	---	---	128	36
Iran .....	1,825	639	2,575	813
Japan .....	---	---	110	40
Lebanon .....	97	28	34	12
Mexico .....	145	41	---	---
Morocco .....	209	61	4	1
Singapore .....	---	---	6	2
Syria .....	251	73	187	62
Turkey .....	43	14	62	20
Total .....	3,224	1,071	3,452	1,110
<b>CURRY AND CURRY POWDER:</b>				
India .....	29	16	15	7
Japan .....	9	6	2	1
Other .....	23	1	6	4
Total .....	61	23	23	12
<b>DILL SEED:</b>				
India .....	583	66	545	58
Mexico .....	---	---	108	25
Other .....	---	---	24	3
Total .....	583	66	677	86
<b>FENNEL SEED:</b>				
Argentina .....	92	11	49	7
Brazil .....	---	---	44	3
Bulgaria .....	26	3	33	6
Germany, West .....	4/	3/	40	6
India .....	733	144	599	106
Indonesia .....	21	8	---	---
Other .....	9	2	---	---
Total .....	881	168	765	128

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3/ Less than \$500. 4/ Less than 500 pounds.

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United States: Imports of specified condiments by country of origin  
1965-66 (Cont.)

Condiment and origin 1/	1965		1966 2/	
	1,000 pounds	1,000 dollars	1,000 pounds	1,000 dollars
<b>GINGER:</b>				
Fiji Islands .....	409	53	654	89
Haiti .....	10	3	---	---
Hong Kong .....	4	1	29	3
India .....	352	106	382	110
Jamaica .....	762	330	703	245
Nigeria .....	1,729	229	2,879	373
Sierra Leone .....	394	106	436	110
Taiwan .....	4	3/	86	10
Other .....	1	1	43	8
Total .....	3,665	829	5,212	948
<b>LAURAL LEAVES:</b>				
Greece .....	---	---	11	9
Mexico .....	8	1	---	---
Turkey .....	427	71	524	89
Other .....	5	1	---	---
Total .....	440	73	535	98
<b>MACE:</b>				
Hong Kong .....	22	31	---	---
Indonesia .....	473	531	434	520
Japan .....	11	15	---	---
Leeward and Windward Islands ..	77	113	29	50
Malaysia .....	36	56	11	18
Netherlands .....	---	---	21	27
Other .....	---	---	2	3
Total .....	619	746	497	618
<b>MARJORAM:</b>				
Chile .....	---	---	16	5
Dominican Republic .....	13	2	17	5
France .....	322	132	314	124
Lebanon .....	13	3	59	11
Mexico .....	396	58	1,014	151
Peru .....	22	8	17	6
Portugal .....	42	5	---	---
Romania .....	43	15	44	13
Other .....	16	8	1	3/
Total .....	867	231	1,482	315
<b>MINT LEAVES:</b>				
Bulgaria .....	4	2	11	8
Egypt .....	27	12	25	11
Germany, West .....	6	9	25	17
Yugoslavia .....	7	3	10	4
Other .....	4	2	18	10
Total .....	48	28	89	50
<b>MUSTARD SEED:</b>				
Bulgaria .....	---	---	215	33
Canada .....	24,510	1,494	50,262	3,114
Denmark .....	4,901	338	1,005	92
Ethiopia .....	373	34	390	58
Germany, West .....	---	---	33	4
Italy .....	383	47	259	36
Mexico .....	53	12	---	---
United Kingdom .....	272	27	219	28
Total .....	30,492	1,952	52,383	3,365

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3/ Less than \$500.

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United States: Imports of specified condiments by country of origin  
1965-66 (Cont.)

Condiment and origin 1/	1965		1966 2/	
	1,000 pounds	1,000 dollars	1,000 pounds	1,000 dollars
<b>MUSTARD SEED:</b>				
(Ground or prepared)				
France .....	93	65	95	77
Germany, West .....	67	36	85	44
Netherlands .....	2	1	4	2
Sweden .....	14	4	6	2
United Kingdom .....	1,002	404	962	374
Other .....	6	4	7	3
Total .....	1,184	514	1,159	502
<b>NUTMEGS: 4/</b>				
Belgium .....	4	4	22	23
Ceylon .....	38	12	109	47
Germany, West .....	46	48	44	54
Hong Kong .....	12	9	---	---
Indonesia .....	3,772	2,466	3,444	2,800
Japan .....	18	15	7	8
Leeward and Windward Islands ..	1,207	1,073	489	495
Malaysia .....	12	10	---	---
Netherlands .....	33	36	61	62
Trinidad .....	61	50	4	5
Other .....	69	31	---	---
Total .....	5,272	3,754	4,180	3,494
<b>ORIGANUM LEAVES:</b>				
Canada .....	---	---	43	3
Dominican Republic .....	19	3	110	20
France .....	16	5	16	5
Germany, West .....	---	---	11	5
Greece .....	1,090	320	1,752	580
Mexico .....	617	84	562	113
Portugal .....	11	2	25	3
Spain .....	---	---	4	1
Turkey .....	53	10	6	2
Total .....	1,806	424	2,529	732
<b>PAPRIKA: 4/</b>				
Bulgaria .....	1,861	570	2,321	813
Canada .....	---	---	22	8
Chile .....	171	40	137	33
Germany, West .....	---	---	29	9
Greece .....	99	18	66	14
Hungary .....	343	97	485	162
Mexico .....	95	19	---	---
Morocco .....	1,632	407	2,131	619
Netherlands .....	33	5	---	---
Portugal .....	---	---	144	47
Romania .....	1	3/	66	13
Spain .....	6,791	2,045	5,931	2,206
Turkey .....	84	15	140	46
Yugoslavia .....	1,317	356	391	120
Other .....	12	4	27	4
Total .....	12,439	3,576	11,890	4,094

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2/ Preliminary.

3/ Less than \$500.

4/ Includes ground.

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United States: Imports of specified condiments by country of origin  
1965-66 (Cont.)

Condiment and origin 1/	1965		1966 2/	
	1,000 pounds	1,000 dollars	1,000 pounds	1,000 dollars
<b>PARSLEY:</b>				
Belgium .....	19	5	9	2
Germany, West .....	51	29	22	12
Netherlands .....	14	8	7	2
Yugoslavia .....	18	5	2	1
Other .....	9	4	2	1
Total .....	111	51	42	18
<b>PEPPER, BLACK:</b>				
Brazil .....	6,651	2,294	4,440	1,535
Canada .....	---	---	45	15
Ceylon .....	454	152	190	77
Haiti .....	---	---	7	1
India .....	12,242	5,107	12,770	4,830
Indonesia .....	18,902	7,543	15,415	5,330
Jamaica .....	11	3	2	1
Malagasy Republic .....	961	308	---	---
Malaysia and Singapore .....	4,727	1,724	1,023	379
Netherlands .....	77	25	---	---
Philippines .....	22	10	---	---
United Kingdom .....	71	27	47	17
Other .....	1	3/	---	---
Total .....	44,119	17,193	33,939	12,185
<b>PEPPER, WHITE:</b>				
Brazil .....	466	182	274	136
Ceylon .....	11	3	22	12
Indonesia .....	3,047	1,232	3,399	1,729
Malaysia and Singapore .....	76	33	123	60
Other .....	---	---	9	2
Total .....	3,600	1,450	3,827	1,939
<b>POPPY SEED:</b>				
Austria .....	---	---	23	5
Belgium .....	84	10	---	---
Czechoslovakia .....	249	25	---	---
Denmark .....	---	---	45	11
Netherlands .....	3,136	727	2,500	621
Poland .....	983	222	1,060	282
Romania .....	413	86	1,393	321
Turkey .....	1,186	232	1,832	341
United Kingdom .....	11	2	---	---
USSR .....	137	16	---	---
Yugoslavia .....	27	4	---	---
Total .....	6,226	1,324	6,853	1,581
<b>ROSEMARY:</b>				
France .....	58	5	54	5
Netherlands .....	---	---	6	1
Portugal .....	242	12	227	13
Spain .....	---	---	26	1
Yugoslavia .....	39	2	46	3
Total .....	339	19	359	23

1/ Unground, unless otherwise specified.

2/ Preliminary.

3/ Less than \$500.

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United States: Imports of specified condiments by country of origin  
1965-66 (Cont.)

Condiment and origin 1/	1965		1966 2/	
	1,000 pounds	1,000 dollars	1,000 pounds	1,000 dollars
<b>SAGE:</b>				
Albania .....	466	84	592	96
Greece .....	12	2	5	2
Italy .....	281	53	26	4
Lebanon .....	4	1	---	---
Trieste .....	11	2	---	---
Turkey .....	22	1	37	3
United Kingdom .....	11	3	---	---
USSR .....	32	3	---	---
Yugoslavia .....	1,521	448	819	247
Total .....	2,360	597	1,479	352
<b>SAVORY:</b>				
France .....	26	4	25	3
Netherlands .....	---	---	1	1
Yugoslavia .....	70	7	80	7
Total .....	96	11	106	11
<b>SESAME SEED:</b>				
Arabia .....	---	---	150	32
Egypt .....	---	---	221	20
Ethiopia .....	7,893	784	12,891	1,436
Guatemala .....	2,591	305	1,000	124
Lebanon .....	119	22	60	11
Mexico .....	544	46	1,774	729
Nicaragua .....	10,457	1,959	9,971	2,068
Salvador .....	951	109	246	34
Somaliland (French) .....	441	45	---	---
Sudan .....	2,421	216	1,851	176
Other .....	74	13	38	8
Total .....	25,491	3,499	28,202	4,638
<b>THYME:</b>				
France .....	324	88	405	111
Spain .....	743	110	369	51
Turkey .....	---	---	11	2
Total .....	1,067	198	785	164
<b>TUMERIC:</b>				
Haiti .....	210	19	121	13
India .....	2,773	467	3,445	452
Jamaica .....	206	20	228	22
Kenya .....	1	3/	---	---
Peru .....	7	1	---	---
Taiwan .....	55	8	---	---
Total .....	3,252	515	3,794	487
<b>VANILLA BEANS:</b>				
France .....	60	190	11	49
French Polynesia .....	20	99	25	133
Indonesia .....	131	378	123	345
Malagasy Republic .....	1,742	7,663	1,576	7,166
Malaysia .....	98	422	33	149
Mexico .....	66	551	31	124
Mozambique .....	9	36	11	51
Uganda .....	6	20	8	35
Other .....	26	115	34	144
Total .....	2,158	9,474	1,852	8,196

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Specified condiments: United States approximate average annual import value  
from selected origins in cents per pound 1/

Condiment and origin	1965	1966	Condiment and origin	1965	1966
	cents	cents		cents	cents
ALLSPICE (PIMENTO):			MACE:		
Guatemala .....	83.9	85.9	Indonesia .....	112.3	119.8
Jamaica .....	79.4	97.5	West Indies .....	146.7	172.4
ANISE SEED:			MARJORAM:		
Mexico .....	22.2	20.0	France .....	41.0	39.5
Spain .....	23.7	29.1	Mexico .....	14.6	14.9
Turkey .....	14.7	14.3	MINT LEAVES:		
BASIL:			Egypt .....	44.4	44.0
France .....	33.3	34.8	MUSTARD SEED:		
Hungary .....	28.6	27.3	Canada .....	6.1	6.2
CAPSICUM PEPPERS:			Denmark .....	6.9	9.2
Japan .....	20.2	24.4	NUTMEGS:		
Mexico .....	19.6	18.6	Indonesia .....	65.4	81.3
Turkey .....	16.5	25.5	West Indies .....	88.9	101.2
Uganda .....	30.0	46.5	ORIGANUM LEAVES:		
CAPERS:			Greece .....	29.4	33.1
Morocco .....	19.8	17.8	PAPRIKA:		
Spain .....	19.7	17.9	Bulgaria .....	30.6	35.0
CARAWAY SEED:			Morocco .....	24.9	29.0
Netherlands .....	14.8	17.8	Spain .....	30.1	37.2
Poland .....	15.2	16.6	Yugoslavia .....	27.0	30.7
CARDAMON SEED:			PARSLEY:		
Guatemala .....	253.3	316.8	Germany, West .....	56.9	54.5
India .....	372.7	383.3	PEPPER, BLACK:		
CASSIA:			Brazil .....	34.5	34.5
Indonesia .....	26.7	58.0	India .....	41.7	37.8
Vietnam .....	94.8	79.9	Indonesia .....	39.9	34.6
CELERY SEED:			PEPPER, WHITE:		
France .....	38.8	37.8	Brazil .....	39.0	49.6
India .....	18.0	15.6	Indonesia .....	40.4	50.9
CINNAMON:			POPPY SEED:		
Ceylon .....	107.9	116.9	Netherlands .....	23.2	24.8
Seychelles .....	11.9	14.1	Poland .....	22.6	26.6
CLOVES:			Romania .....	20.8	23.0
Malagasy Republic ...	31.9	32.2	Turkey .....	19.6	18.6
Tanzania .....	36.5	41.0	ROSEMARY:		
CORIANDE SEED:			Portugal .....	5.0	5.7
Morocco .....	5.4	9.0	SAGE:		
Romania .....	5.7	7.7	Albania .....	18.0	16.2
CUMMIN SEED:			Yugoslavia .....	29.5	30.2
India .....	32.8	35.8	SAVORY:		
Iran .....	35.0	31.6	Yugoslavia .....	10.0	8.8
Syria .....	29.1	33.1	SESAME SEED:		
CURRY & CURRY POWDER:			Ethiopia .....	9.9	11.1
India .....	55.2	46.7	Guatemala .....	11.8	12.4
DILL SEED:			Nicaragua .....	18.7	20.7
India .....	11.3	10.6	Sudan .....	8.9	9.5
Mexico .....	---	23.1	THYME:		
FENNEL SEED:			France .....	27.2	27.4
Argentina .....	12.0	14.3	Spain .....	14.8	13.8
India .....	19.6	17.7	TUMERIC:		
GINGER:			India .....	16.8	13.1
India .....	30.1	28.8	Jamaica .....	9.7	9.6
Jamaica .....	43.3	34.9	VANILLA BEANS:		
Nigeria .....	13.2	13.0	French Polynesia..	495.0	532.0
LAURAL LEAVES:			Indonesia .....	288.5	280.5
Turkey .....	16.6	17.0	Malagasy Republic	439.9	454.7
			Mexico .....	834.8	400.0

1/ Market value in country of origin, exclusive of U. S. import duty, freight, and insurance charges.



UNITED STATES: Rates of import duties for specified condiments  
and flavoring materials

Item	Rates of duty	
	1/	2/
Allspice (Pimento):		
Not ground .....	Free	Free
Ground .....	2¢/lb.	3¢/lb.
Anise Seed .....	Free	Free
Basil:		
Crude or not manufactured .....	Free	Free
Other .....	10% ad. val.	25% ad. val.
Capers .....	1¢% ad. val.	20% ad. val.
Capsicum or Red Peppers:		
Not ground .....	5¢/lb.	5¢/lb.
Ground .....	5.1¢/lb.	8¢/lb.
Caraway Seed .....	Free	Free
Cardamon Seed .....	Free	Free
Cassia:		
Not ground .....	Free	Free
Ground .....	3¢/lb.	5¢/lb.
Celery Seed .....	0.6¢/lb.	2¢/lb.
Cinnamon:		
Not ground .....	Free	Free
Ground .....	3¢/lb.	5¢/lb.
Cloves:		
Not ground .....	Free	Free
Ground .....	3¢/lb.	6¢/lb.
Coriander Seed .....	Free	Free
Cummin Seed .....	Free	Free
Curry & Curry Powder .....	1.2¢/lb.	5¢/lb.
Dill Seed .....	10% ad. val.	25% ad. val.
Fennel Seed .....	Free	Free
Ginger (Not candied or preserved):		
Not ground .....	Free	Free
Ground .....	2¢/lb.	5¢/lb.
Laurel Leaves:		
Crude or not manufactured .....	Free	Free
Other .....	10% ad. val.	25% ad. val.
Mace (Except Bombay or Wild):		
Not ground .....	Free	Free
Ground .....	4¢/lb.	8¢/lb.

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2/ Rates applicable for products of Communist countries which include the following: Albania, Bulgaria, Mainland China, Cuba, Czechoslovakia, Estonia, East Germany, Hungary, Indochina (parts under Communist control), North Korea, Kurile Islands, Latvia, Lithuania, Outer Mongolia, Romania, Southern Sakhalin, Tanna Tuva, Tibet, and USSR.

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UNITED STATES: Rates of import duties for specified condiments  
and flavoring materials (Cont.)

Item	Rates of duty	
	1/	2/
Marjoram:		
Crude or not manufactured .....	Free	Free
Other .....	10% ad. val.	25% ad. val.
Mint Leaves:		
Crude or not manufactured .....	Free	Free
Other .....	10% ad. val.	25% ad. val.
Mustard Seed:		
Not ground .....	0.875¢/lb.	2¢/lb.
Ground or prepared .....	3.4¢/lb.	10¢/lb.
Nutmegs:		
Not ground .....	Free	Free
Ground .....	3¢/lb.	5¢/lb.
Origanum Leaves:		
Crude or not manufactured .....	Free	Free
Other .....	10% ad. val.	25% ad. val.
Paprika (ground or unground) .....	5¢/lb.	5¢/lb.
Parsley:		
Crude or not manufactured .....	Free	Free
Other .....	20% ad. val.	20% ad. val.
Pepper, Black or White:		
Not ground .....	Free	Free
Ground .....	3¢/lb.	5¢/lb.
Poppy Seed .....	8¢/cwt.	32¢/cwt.
Rosemary:		
Crude or not manufactured .....	Free	Free
Other .....	10% ad. val.	25% ad. val.
Sage:		
Not ground .....	1¢/lb.	1¢/lb.
Ground or rubbed .....	3¢/lb.	3¢/lb.
Savory:		
Crude or not manufactured .....	Free	Free
Other .....	10% ad. val.	25% ad. val.
Sesame Seed .....	0.59¢/lb.	1.18¢/lb.
Thyme:		
Crude or not manufactured .....	Free	Free
Other .....	10% ad. val.	25% ad. val.
Tumeric .....	Free	Free
Vanilla Beans .....	7.5¢/lb.	30¢/lb.

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Tibet, and USSR.

Exports of specified spices and flavoring materials  
by major producing countries, 1965 with comparisons

Item and country	Average, 1955-59	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds
<b>BLACK and WHITE PEPPER:</b>							
Indonesia .....	53,863	32,025	56,752	38,850	96,127	51,656	27,272
India .....	31,037	41,295	38,514	55,142	41,736	36,217	50,025
Sarawak .....	30,426	9,181	24,532	25,935	25,627	27,136	39,455
Brazil .....	1,642	4,231	6,470	6,094	5,240	8,920	16,305
Malagasy Republic .....	1,404	2,304	2,840	2,357	1,989	4,215	3,402
Cambodia .....	1,978	2,685	2,934	1,803	1,915	1,814	3,976
Ceylon .....	749	1,505	63	101	208	1,236	1,531
Total .....	121,099	93,226	132,105	130,282	172,842	131,194	141,966
<b>VANILLA BEANS:</b>							
Malagasy Republic .....	855	595	1,290	1,411	644	1,384	2,169
French Polynesia .....	349	392	492	461	492	364	293
Comores .....	129	176	198	106	456	386	2/
Reunion .....	117	68	93	73	132	97	126
Mexico .....	257	256	227	86	49	38	85
Indonesia .....	23	22	51	99	1/ 56	1/ 85	1/ 131
Seychelles .....	10	17	9	15	5	3	3
Guadeloupe .....	6	---	---	4	9	9	4
Uganda .....	4	5	6	2	2	5	6
Dominica .....	15	2	2	1	1	1/ 2	1/ 2
Total .....	1,765	1,533	2,368	2,258	1,846	2,373	1/ 3,100
<b>GINGER ROOT:</b>							
India .....	12,474	9,106	16,265	15,176	11,066	8,725	8,758
Nigeria .....	1,667	2,819	1,819	3,766	5,766	5,905	4,171
Sierra Leone .....	2,418	1,237	1,325	1,131	1,313	1,547	1,801
Jamaica .....	1,835	1,711	1,511	1,020	1,281	1,426	1,941
Total .....	18,394	14,873	20,920	21,093	19,426	17,603	16,671
<b>CLOVES:</b>							
Tanzania .....	23,923	27,613	18,634	17,308	25,091	17,942	18,906
Malagasy Republic .....	10,294	4,026	11,949	9,900	4,533	10,688	9,751
Total .....	34,217	31,639	30,583	27,208	29,624	28,630	28,657
<b>CINNAMON:</b>							
Ceylon .....	5,581	5,970	6,810	6,515	6,298	6,367	6,135
Seychelles .....	1,654	2,196	2,192	2,676	2,251	2,643	4,166
Total .....	7,235	8,166	9,002	9,191	8,549	9,010	10,301
<b>CASSIA:</b>							
Indonesia .....	14,402	16,942	19,482	24,689	21,162	19,010	15,655
South Vietnam .....	1,368	2,202	1,806	527	723	1,219	853
Total .....	15,770	19,144	21,288	25,216	21,885	20,229	16,508
<b>NUTMEGS:</b>							
Indonesia .....	7,467	10,344	7,575	7,915	9,341	9,949	8,684
Grenada .....	2,586	1,367	908	1,331	1,581	971	3,277
Ceylon .....	295	252	153	155	574	366	179
St. Vincent .....	84	62	94	159	108	133	205
Trinidad & Tobago .....	81	85	92	78	113	78	1/ 80
Total .....	10,513	12,110	8,822	9,638	11,717	11,497	12,425
<b>MACE:</b>							
Indonesia .....	982	888	977	1,532	1,728	2,165	1,173
Grenada .....	256	153	175	322	369	197	558
Ceylon .....	24	29	9	9	37	31	10
St. Vincent .....	14	11	17	25	20	20	40
Trinidad & Tobago .....	4	10	64	3	7	2	1/ 3
Total .....	1,280	1,091	1,242	1,891	2,161	2,415	1,784

1/ Estimated. 2/ Not available.



### World Pepper Trade

World exports of black and white pepper (*Piper nigrum* L.) during 1965 totaled 142 million pounds, 8 percent above 1964, but well below 1963 exports of 172.8 million pounds. Exports by India, Sarawak, Brazil, Cambodia, and Ceylon rose sharply in 1965; however, Indonesian shipments were nearly halved from the previous year and Malagasy Republic exports declined from the 1964 record level. World exports in 1966 are expected to approximate the 1965 level as gains by India and Indonesia will probably be offset by smaller shipments from Sarawak and Brazil.

As importers and manufacturers have been reducing inventories, U. S. imports of black and white pepper during 1966 fell to 37.8 million pounds, down from 47.7 million pounds imported during 1965.

Reflecting a record 1965-66 (November-October) harvest of 75 million pounds, India's exports during the first 10 months of 1966 reached 48.8 million pounds, 14 percent over the corresponding 1965 period. The USSR was the largest recipient of the January-October shipments, taking a record 16.7 million pounds--exceeding total annual Soviet buying of any preceding year. Shipments to the United States for the same period totaled 10.6 million pounds, about the same as in the previous year.

Indian exports in 1965 rose 38 percent over the previous year, to 50 million pounds. The large rise was attributable to increased buying by the United States and the USSR. In 1965, U. S. purchases from India more than tripled the 1964 level of 3.6 million pounds and shipments to the USSR--the largest buyer in recent years--increased by 2.3 million pounds to 12.8 million.

Indonesian exports in 1965 fell to 27.3 million pounds, the lowest since 1953. The sharp fall in shipments was attributed to a small harvest and to the retention of pepper stocks by farmers and exporters in view of the continuation of Indonesia's spiraling inflation.

The United States was the largest recipient for the 1965 exports, taking 55 percent of the total, with most of the balance going to the Netherlands and West Germany. Exports during 1966 are expected to increase because of a larger crop and resumption of commercial relations with Singapore.

Brazil's exports in 1965 reached a record 16.3 million pounds, nearly double 1964 shipments. Production has been increasing rather rapidly as new acreage comes into bearing. The 1966 crop is expected to reach 22 million pounds, compared with 18.1 million in 1965 and 14.9 million in 1964.

Sales have remained slow this year and exports will be well under the record 1965 level. Shipments through the third week of October totaled 7.7 million pounds, 3.6 million under the corresponding 1965 period.



Exports from Sarawak came to a near record level of 39.5 million pounds in 1965. Exports during the first 11 months of 1966 totaled 27.3 million pounds, compared with 37.4 million during the similar 1965 period. The bulk of the shipments are still channeled through the Singapore entrepot despite continued efforts to export directly to importing nations.

SARAWAK: Exports of black and white pepper  
by destination, 1964-65

Destination	1964		1965	
	Black	White	Black	White
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	<u>pounds</u>	<u>pounds</u>	<u>pounds</u>	<u>pounds</u>
Europe:				
EEC:				
Belgium-Luxembourg .....	---	45	---	34
France .....	---	22	---	29
Germany, West .....	34	2,266	463	2,115
Italy .....	---	121	17	45
Netherlands .....	---	16	---	---
Subtotal .....	34	2,470	480	2,223
Other Europe:				
Denmark .....	---	189	6	62
Norway .....	---	190	275	60
Sweden .....	---	632	14	578
United Kingdom .....	18	1,119	116	280
Other .....	---	12	9	---
Total .....	52	4,612	900	3,203
Other:				
Canada .....	---	224	11	100
Hong Kong .....	84	109	59	44
Singapore .....	9,559	11,773	21,967	11,911
South Africa .....	22	259	---	269
United States .....	---	---	101	22
Not specified .....	98	344	471	397
Grand total .....	9,815	17,321	23,509	15,946

INDIA: Exports of black pepper by destination, 1964-66

Destination	1964	1965	January-October 1/	
			1965	1966
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds
North America:				
Canada .....	1,922	2,704	2,442	2,520
United States .....	3,626	12,631	10,965	10,622
Total .....	5,548	15,335	13,407	13,142
Eastern Europe and USSR:				
Bulgaria .....	716	66	22	448
Czechoslovakia .....	1,812	2,127	2,127	1,187
Germany, East .....	2,028	1,675	1,165	594
Hungary .....	904	1,587	1,142	1,120
Poland .....	1,774	1,495	1,221	1,725
Romania .....	1,213	372	372	1,691
USSR .....	10,586	12,826	11,122	16,654
Total .....	19,033	20,148	17,171	23,419
Western Europe:				
EEC:				
Belgium-Luxembourg .....	---	---	---	11
France .....	323	22	18	78
Germany, West .....	62	171	157	22
Italy .....	3,614	4,176	4,021	4,100
Netherlands .....	17	7	7	22
Subtotal .....	4,016	4,376	4,203	4,233
Other Western Europe:				
United Kingdom .....	83	48	48	45
Yugoslavia .....	981	2,626	1,870	2,498
Total .....	5,080	7,050	6,121	6,776
Other:				
Aden .....	347	398	269	493
Egypt .....	409	1,366	1,366	1,266
Iran .....	258	22	11	56
Pakistan .....	1,495	875	875	---
Singapore .....	1,478	867	605	762
Turkey .....	60	137	2/	2/
Not specified .....	2,509	3,827	2,881	2,902
Grand total .....	36,217	50,025	42,706	48,816

1/ Preliminary.

2/ Included in not specified.

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BRAZIL: Exports of black and white pepper by destination, 1964-66

Destination	1964	1965	January-June	
			1965	1966
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	<u>pounds</u>	<u>pounds</u>	<u>pounds</u>	<u>pounds</u>
North America:				
Canada .....	---	22.0	---	---
United States .....	2,872.6	7,096.6	2,151.7	1,199.3
Total .....	2,872.6	7,118.6	2,151.7	1,199.3
Latin America:				
Argentina .....	2,925.5	2,178.1	1,274.3	1,269.8
Bolivia .....	---	---	---	8.8
Chile .....	196.2	392.4	240.3	244.7
Colombia .....	401.2	81.6	81.6	183.0
Haiti .....	6.6	---	---	---
Mexico .....	143.3	760.6	196.2	39.7
Paraguay .....	6.6	---	---	---
Peru .....	68.3	169.8	63.9	75.0
Uruguay .....	224.9	22.0	19.8	---
Total .....	3,972.6	3,604.5	1,876.1	1,821.0
Europe:				
EEC:				
Belgium-Luxembourg .....	77.2	114.6	44.1	---
France .....	282.2	313.1	209.4	---
Germany, West .....	1,338.2	3,242.9	899.5	445.3
Italy .....	33.1	8.8	---	---
Netherlands .....	11.0	302.0	174.2	55.1
Subtotal .....	1,741.7	3,981.4	1,327.2	500.4
Other Europe:				
Ireland .....	17.6	22.0	4.4	---
Norway .....	19.8	6.6	---	---
United Kingdom .....	291.0	1,018.5	231.5	132.3
Total .....	2,070.1	5,028.5	1,563.1	632.7
Others:				
Japan .....	4.4	2.2	2.2	4.4
USSR .....	---	551.2	---	385.8
Grand total .....	8,919.7	16,305.0	5,593.1	4,043.2

MALAYA AND SINGAPORE: Imports and exports of unground black and white pepper  
by origin and destination, 1964-65

Country	1964		1965	
	Black	White	Black	White
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds
<b>IMPORTS:</b>				
Indonesia:				
Java .....	---	1	---	---
Sumatra .....	15	538	---	204
Total Indonesia .....	15	539	---	204
Malaysia:				
Brunei .....	1	15	12	64
Sabah .....	3	180	9	156
Sarawak .....	9,298	11,388	21,124	12,159
Total Malaysia .....	9,302	11,583	21,145	12,379
Other:				
Ceylon .....	335	---	499	---
India .....	1,462	---	889	---
Thailand .....	1	---	325	---
Not specified .....	---	---	---	7
Total imports .....	11,115	12,122	22,858	12,590
<b>EXPORTS:</b>				
Europe:				
EEC:				
Belgium-Luxembourg .....	---	363	39	526
France .....	101	707	4	663
Germany, West .....	30	401	622	1,212
Italy .....	424	395	505	506
Netherlands .....	27	219	204	355
Subtotal .....	582	2,085	1,374	3,262
Other Europe:				
Greece .....	701	1	715	---
Spain .....	722	388	801	361
United Kingdom .....	360	3,157	632	4,954
Not specified .....	415	272	219	284
Total .....	2,780	5,903	3,741	8,861
Other:				
Aden .....	430	1	511	17
Australia .....	327	1,206	323	1,401
Burma .....	245	8	370	119
Canada .....	363	264	426	386
Japan .....	730	1,498	1,070	1,845
Morocco .....	3,569	54	3,647	31
Pakistan .....	29	10	583	3
Peru .....	606	22	460	9
Saudi Arabia .....	381	1	497	---
South Africa .....	190	594	188	765
United States .....	3,783	3,444	6,076	2,880
Not specified .....	5,711	571	6,969	601
Total exports .....	19,144	13,576	24,861	16,918



BLACK PEPPER: Average wholesale price per pound, bagged, carlots, f.o.b. New York, by months

Year	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Average
	cents	cents	cents	cents	cents	cents	cents	cents	cents	cents	cents	cents	cents
1940.....	4.3	4.2	4.3	4.2	4.0	3.8	3.8	4.0	4.1	4.2	4.2	4.4	4.1
1941.....	4.4	4.7	6.3	6.5	7.2	6.2	6.1	6.5	6.4	6.2	6.2	6.5	6.1
1942.....	6.6	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.4	6.5	6.6	6.6	6.7	6.7	6.6
1943.....	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8
1944.....	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	9.4	10.0	10.0	7.5
1945.....	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
1946.....	10.0	10.0	12.5	15.0	15.0	15.0	39.2	51.6	70.5	78.0	82.0	64.7	38.6
1947.....	53.9	54.2	53.7	41.8	31.4	32.6	33.2	35.1	39.8	52.8	54.8	46.4	44.1
1948.....	44.2	42.3	40.7	44.9	47.2	54.9	57.8	73.3	83.8	94.9	82.6	79.9	62.2
1949.....	68.2	67.2	86.3	89.9	89.1	102.5	109.8	134.2	128.5	133.4	131.4	133.4	106.1
1950.....	129.8	144.4	144.8	140.9	140.9	116.9	171.4	265.6	214.4	169.8	151.2	158.5	162.4
1951.....	174.4	189.8	163.4	165.9	163.2	165.5	168.5	177.1	177.0	168.3	165.9	153.5	169.3
1952.....	134.0	144.0	147.5	110.0	131.5	152.0	185.5	177.0	190.0	173.5	162.5	137.0	153.7
1953.....	113.5	122.0	150.0	144.0	146.0	143.0	130.0	125.0	130.0	125.0	95.0	110.0	127.8
1954.....	102.0	92.0	89.0	77.0	69.5	51.0	63.0	102.0	76.0	61.0	50.5	45.5	73.2
1955.....	41.0	46.0	45.0	45.5	49.5	52.8	50.3	45.0	43.5	42.5	39.0	37.8	44.8
1956.....	35.5	33.0	32.0	29.5	28.8	31.0	30.5	36.0	34.0	29.0	30.0	28.5	31.5
1957.....	26.0	29.0	26.0	27.0	28.5	30.5	27.0	27.5	27.0	25.0	25.5	25.8	27.1
1958.....	24.5	23.5	24.5	26.8	26.0	26.3	29.0	28.3	27.5	25.5	26.0	24.3	26.0
1959.....	24.5	25.8	26.0	26.5	25.8	25.8	25.8	29.3	32.3	32.0	40.0	50.5	30.3
1960.....	73.0	60.0	58.0	62.0	54.5	68.0	66.0	58.0	55.0	46.0	55.0	43.0	58.2
1961.....	48.0	46.5	50.0	48.0	47.0	47.8	46.5	45.5	46.0	44.0	40.0	38.0	45.6
1962.....	37.3	36.5	38.5	35.3	34.3	37.0	35.3	35.3	39.0	43.0	35.0	33.0	36.6
1963.....	32.0	34.0	34.0	35.0	33.0	29.5	31.0	33.0	33.0	38.0	36.0	35.0	33.6
1964.....	35.0	33.3	36.0	42.0	39.3	38.3	39.0	39.0	39.3	39.0	41.8	44.0	38.8
1965.....	52.0	51.5	47.0	45.3	46.0	46.5	47.8	50.3	48.8	47.3	46.3	45.8	47.9
1966.....	46.0	45.3	44.3	44.0	43.3	41.8	44.3	43.5	42.5	44.0	41.8	39.3	43.3
1967.....	37.8	35.5											
1968.....													
1969.....													
1970.....													

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BLACK AND WHITE PEPPER: Distribution of  
exports by specified countries, 1965

Destination	:	Indonesia	:	Malagasy Republic
	:	1,000	:	1,000
	:	<u>pounds</u>	:	<u>pounds</u>
Europe:	:		:	
EEC:	:		:	
Belgium-Luxembourg .....	:	455	:	11
France .....	:	660	:	2,064
Germany, West .....	:	2,832	:	545
Italy .....	:	239	:	278
Netherlands .....	:	4,661	:	---
Subtotal .....	:	8,847	:	2,898
Other Europe:	:		:	
Hungary .....	:	69	:	---
Romania .....	:	387	:	---
United Kingdom .....	:	376	:	---
Total .....	:	9,679	:	2,898
Other:	:		:	
Hong Kong .....	:	1,173	:	---
Japan .....	:	34	:	---
Morocco .....	:	---	:	46
Reunion .....	:	---	:	51
Senegal .....	:	---	:	64
Singapore .....	:	204	:	---
United States .....	:	14,959	:	335
USSR .....	:	912	:	---
Not specified .....	:	311	:	8
Grand total .....	:	27,272	:	3,402